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To: Director, Fish and Wildlife Service

Director, Geological Survey

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management

Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject: Notice of Intent to Prepare a Comprehensive Environmental Evaluation (CEE) for the

Construction and Operation of a High-Energy Neutrino Telescope (Project Ice Cube) at

the South Pole (ER 03/794)

(Agency due date: December 10, 2003)

The National Science Foundation has published in the September 18, 2003, <u>Federal Register</u>, a Notice of Intent to prepare a CEE for the subject project. You may access the Notice of Intent on the Internet at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/frcont03.html.

This notice gives you an early opportunity to provide technical assistance and/or to participate from your areas of special expertise or jurisdiction. If significant involvement is indicated, you should also participate in the follow-up scoping activities.

Comments should be made directly to the person listed in the notice by December 10, 2003.

Please provide a copy of any comments you make to this Office.

/s/ 9/26/03

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cc: Assistant Secretaries

All REOs

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